S.N	Statcs/UTs	*i* Mlotment				Offtake			
		BPL	APL	Antyo-daya	Total	BPL	APL	Antyo-daya	Total
26.	Tripura	0.000	3.840	0.000	3.840	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
27.	Uttaranchal	8.880	3.843	O.OOO	12.723	0.000	0.000	0000	0.000
28.	Utiar Pradesh	375.120	62.667	0.000	437.787	157.049	1.677	0.000	158.726
29.	Wesl Bengal	148.572	194.100	0.000	342.672	122.007	7.830	0.000	129.837
30.	A&N Islands	0.420	2.040	0,000	2.460	0.333	0.516	0.000	0.849
31.	Chandigarh	0.960	2.910	0.000	3.870	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
32.	D & N Haveli	0.159	0.150	0.060	0.369	0.053	0000	0.066	0.119
33.	Daman & Diu	0.069	0.120	0.015	0.204	0.000	0.000	0.006	0.006
34.	Lakshadweep	0.000	0.126	0.000	0.126	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
35.	Pondicheny	0.000	0.060	0.000	0.060	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Total	1763.658	1014.426	104.814	2882.898	786.450	23.909	76.743	887.102

Offtake figures arc provision).

Note: This excludes offtake figures under decentralised scheme of M.P. and U.P. for April. 2001.

Increase in cost of wheat and rice

† 2608. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH LALAN':

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the economic cost of wheat and rice of the Food Corporation of India has constantly been increasing for the last three years;

(b) if so, the economic cost of wheat and rice during the years 1998-99,1999-2000 and 2000-2001, separately; and

(c) the estimated economic cost of wheat and rice during the year 2001-02?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHRIRAM CHAUHAN): (a) to (c) The break-up of the estimated cost of FCI for wheat and rice during the years 1998-99 to 2001-2002 (BE) is as follows.

† Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

Rs./Per Qtl.

WHEAT	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002
	Prov.	Prov.	(RE)	(BE)
A Pooled Cost	507.12	510.07	510.07	570.66
B. Proc. InciTPort Clearance charges	110.08	135.21	138.30	167.20
C. Carryover charges to State Govt.	16.87	55.66	*	*
D. Acquisition cost (A+B+C)	634.07	700.94	703.61	737.86
E Distribution Cost**	163.09	171.38	126.03	133.67
F. Economic Cost	797.16	872.32	829.64	871.53
RICE				
A. Pooled Cost.	787.70	861.16	907.39	932.98
B. Procurement incidentals	65.50	77.09	88.11	90.50
C. Acquisition Cost (A+B)	853.20	938.25	995.50	1023.48
D. Distribution Cost**	173.47	172.69	152.57	153.00
E. Economic Cost	1026.67	1110.94	1148.07	1176.48

Note:

* In view of the recommendations of the Expenditure Reforms Commission (E.R.C) carryover charges are to be included in buffer carrying cost from 2000-01 instead of the acquisition cost.

** From 2000-01 distribution cost has gone down due to allocation of freight and transit loss to buffer cost as per revised allocation principles suggested by the E.R.C.

Rejection of wheat by Indonesia

2609. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian wheat has been rejected again by another country Indonesia in view of poor quality; and

(b) if so, the action proposed to make stringent quality check to honour the commitment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHRIRAM CHAUHAN): (a) No, Sir. However, it has been reported in the newspaper that Bogasari Flour Mills Indonesia, had stopped buying Indian wheat due to quality reasons as the grain had a high dirt content. The newspaper report also states that Bogasari Director did not rule out future purchases from India if the grain quality improved. Indonesia has imported wheat from Indian PSUs viz. PEC, STC and MMTC, who have reportedly exported 1,66,000 tonnes of wheat to Indonesia during the period November, 2000 to April, 2001.